

1 AN ACT relating to employees of quasi-governmental agencies.

2 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 18A IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *(1) As used in this section, "quasi-governmental agency" means an entity:*

6 *(a) Created by government to service the public interests, but which maintains a*
7 *legally separate status; and*

8 *(b) That participates in the Kentucky Retirement Systems.*

9 *(2) An employee of a quasi-governmental agency who began participating in the*
10 *systems administered by Kentucky Retirement Systems prior to January 1, 2014,*
11 *and whose agency voluntarily ceases participation and elects to not continue*
12 *participating in the system after the cessation date pursuant to KRS 61.522 shall*
13 *be given interview preference when applying for competitive classified positions*
14 *for which the employee meets the minimum qualifications established for the job*
15 *classification.*

16 *(3) (a) Applicants entitled to interview preference as set forth in this section shall*
17 *be clearly identified.*

18 *(b) 1. If the number of applicants identified under paragraph (a) of this*
19 *subsection is less than five (5), the employing agency shall offer an*
20 *interview to all applicants identified under paragraph (a) of this*
21 *subsection.*

22 *2. If the number of applicants identified under paragraph (a) of this*
23 *subsection equals or exceeds five (5), the employing agency shall offer*
24 *an interview to no fewer than five (5) applicants.*

25 *(4) Interview preference shall only apply to applicants seeking initial appointment to*
26 *the classified service.*